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Edward W. Knowlton)

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Title: APPARATUS FOR CONTROLLED)
CONTRACTION OF COLLAGEN)
OF COLLAGEN TISSUE)

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Sir:

Applicant hereby files a [] continuation [X] divisional [] continuation-in-part application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.60 of the prior complete application identified below.

IDENTIFICATION OF PRIOR COMPLETE APPLICATION

Title: As originally filed - METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONTROLLED CONTRACTION OF COLLAGEN TISSUE

As last amended - _____

Application Number: 08/435,544Filing Date: May 5, 1995Invented by: Edward W. Knowlton

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Enclosed is a copy of the latest inventor-signed prior application, including the oath or declaration showing the signature or an indication it was signed. The enclosed papers are a true copy of the latest inventor-signed prior application, including the specification, claims, drawings and oath or declaration, and no amendments referred to in the oath or declaration filed to complete the prior application introduced new matter therein.

INVENTORS

1. ☒ The inventor(s) of the present application is/are the same as in the prior complete application.
2. ☐ The inventor(s) of the present application have been changed to include the following named inventor(s): _____
 - a. ☐ It is requested that the following persons be deleted as inventor(s) in the present application: _____
 - b. ☐ The present application is a continuation-in-part of the prior complete application, and an oath or declaration as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.63 accompanies this paper.

AMENDMENTS

3. ☐ Enter the amendment previously filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, but unentered, in the prior application.
4. ☐ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
5. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: -- This application is a ☐ continuation, ☒ divisional, ☐ continuation-in-part, of Application Serial No. 08/435,544, filed May 5, 1995 *a now U.S. patent no. 5,660,836*

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6. ☒ The title in the present application is as follows: APPARATUS FOR CONTROLLED CONTRACTION OF COLLAGEN TISSUE

SMALL ENTITY STATUS

7. Verified statement(s) claiming small entity status:
 - a. ☐ is/are enclosed.
 - b. ☒ was/were filed in prior Application Serial No. 08/435,544, filed on May 5, 1995

INTERNATIONAL PRIORITY

8. ☐ Priority of Application Serial No. _____, filed on _____, in _____ (country) is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.
9. ☐ The certified copy of the priority application:
 - ☐ is enclosed;
 - ☐ was filed on _____ in prior Application Serial No. _____; filed on _____;
 - ☐ has not yet been filed.

ATTORNEY OR AGENT OF RECORD

10. ☒ The power of attorney in the prior application is to Paul Davis, Reg. No. 29,294

- a. ☒ The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
b. ☐ Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.

11. ☐ Recognize as Associate Attorney or Agent _____.

12. ☐ A Power of Attorney is enclosed.

OTHER

13. ☐ Also enclosed _____.

14. ☒ Cancel in this application claims **1-22** of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)

15. ☐ Cancel in this application all claims of the prior application and substitute the claims contained in the attached Preliminary Amendment prior to calculating the filing fee.

16. ☐ Add the additional claims in the attached Preliminary Amendment prior to calculating the filing fee.

FEES DUE

CLAIMS					
	NO. OF CLAIMS		EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Basic Application Fee					\$ 750.00
Total Claims	22	MINUS 20 =	2	x \$22 =	44.00
Independent Claims	1	MINUS 3 =	0	x \$78 =	0.00
If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$250.00					0.00
Total Application Fee (LARGE ENTITY)					794.00
If SMALL ENTITY, subtract 50% of Total Application Fee (LARGE ENTITY)					397.00
TOTAL APPLICATION FEE DUE					397.00

17. ☐ A Petition for Extension of Time to respond to the outstanding official action in the prior application, up to and including the filing date of the present application, is enclosed, the fee for which is \$_____.

18. New drawings are enclosed (☐ formal ☐ informal)

PAYMENT OF FEES

19. The full fee due in connection with this communication is \$ 397.00, and is provided as follows:

a. ☒ A check in the amount of \$ 397.00 is enclosed.

b. ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 08-1405. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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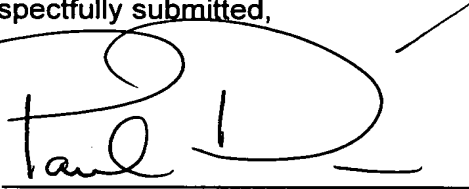
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